

PRESIDENT WILL RECEIVE COMMITTEE AND DISCUSS QUESTION.

RESOLUTIONS GO TO SENATE Plans for Peace Congress to Meet in This Country—Carnegie Gives \$5,000 for Expenses.

President Roosevelt expressed himself as heartily in sympathy with the international arbitration movement. The chairman of the committee was Prof. Swain, of Swarthmore College. The resolutions were presented by ex-Representative H. St. George Tucker, of Virginia. The President then spoke, and brief speeches were made by Oscar S. Straus and by Andrew Carnegie.

The resolutions recommend the negotiation of a treaty with Great Britain to submit to arbitration by the Permanent Court of Arbitration, or by some tribunal specially constituted for the case, all differences between Great Britain and the United States which they may fall to adjust by diplomatic negotiation. It is also recommended that the two governments should agree not to resort in any circumstances to measures of force until there has been an effort to arbitrate. It is recommended that the Government should negotiate similar treaties as soon as practicable with other powers.

President in Accord.
In response, the President said he was heartily in accord with the International Arbitration Congress in its efforts in this direction, and he would devote his most careful consideration to the subject, and take all possible practical action in the direction of bringing about such understanding between this country and other nations.

Committees representing the international arbitration conference today presented to the Senate Committee on Foreign Relations and to the President a set of resolutions adopted at yesterday's meeting of the conference, urging this Government to enter into a treaty with Great Britain to settle all differences by arbitration. The Senate committee will take the matter under consideration and upon their action it is expected the treaty will be framed.

Coming Peace Congress.
Another movement in the interest of world-peace took shape here today when a number of persons interested in the International Peace Congress, to be held in this country in the fall of this year, met at the New Willard and appointed an executive committee to select the place and fix the date for the meeting. This is an entirely separate movement from the arbitration conference, though on the same lines. It originated in Boston with Edwin Mead. Others interested are Hon. George F. Seward, Benj. R. Trueblood, Miss May Wright Sewall, Mrs. Hannah J. Bailey, and Mrs. Charles Russell Lowell.

It was announced that Andrew Carnegie had contributed \$5,000 to the expenses of the congress.

ARBITRATION CONFERENCE EVADES WAR IN EAST

Speakers Scarcely Refer to Friction
Between Russia and Japan.

No effort will be made by the international arbitration conference to mediate in the Far Eastern crisis. Careful avoidance of this subject by the speakers who made addresses in behalf of world-peace at yesterday's meeting was noticeable, but it is accounted for by the fact that the conference met with the particular object of urging an Anglo-American treaty, and the members were not prepared to discuss the Eastern question, believing it beyond their competence.

At the Lafayette Theater a crowd heard the addresses in behalf of arbitration delivered by Cardinal Gibbons, Lieutenant General Miles, Dr. Edward Everett Hale, Dr. Joseph Silverman, of Temple University, Church of New York city; the Hon. J. M. Dickinson and Andrew Carnegie. The meeting was presided over by the secretary of State, John W. Foster, who sent his regrets.

The general trend of yesterday's discussion was that the time had come for settlement of all national disputes by arbitration. This suggested three principal features—first, that there should be a supreme court for the settlement of national disputes; second, that there should be a permanent tribunal, and finally, prospect of attaining a universal peace.

Tonight Representative Barthold has invited the friends of arbitration to meet with him at the Capitol.

LEXINGTON POSTMASTER APPEARS ON CHARGE

Postmaster Seville, of Lexington, Mass., was before Postmaster General Payne this afternoon to explain the charges made against him of selling stamps to business men in his district to be used out of it, in Boston.

His is one of the "booming" cases which have kept postmasters and Congressmen explaining for some time though an on-set contention has been made that the business in all but one of the Massachusetts offices was entirely legitimate and within the law.

BROKERS WILL SUE.
In the suit of William T. MacLennan against Gurley & Johnson, brokers, to recover \$2,875 as damages, growing out of a deal in Brooklyn Rapid Transit stock, the jury gave a verdict in favor of the defendant.

Grape-Nuts for breakfast or lunch

Energy for all day

"There's a reason"

THREE PRIMARY OBJECTS SOUGHT BY CONFERENCE

First—To establish a Supreme Court of Nations.
Second—To encourage a general disarmament except such as may be needed for national police protection.
Third—By encouraging friendly relations between all nations to make possible a Universal Republic.

As means to this end it is proposed to take steps to strengthen The Hague Tribunal; to cause this country to enter into a treaty with Great Britain by which all differences which they may fail to adjust by diplomatic negotiations may be submitted to an international court; lastly, to encourage the adoption of the arbitration emblem, a white steamer attached to the national flags.

HIGH MORTALITY RATE DUE TO PNEUMONIA

One Hundred and Forty-eight Deaths in
the District During the
Past Week.

There were 148 deaths in the District during the week ended January 8, which shows a death rate per 1,000 inhabitants of 25.6. In the previous week they numbered 126, representing a death rate of 22.2, and in the corresponding period of last year 125, with a death rate of 22.1. Of those who died during the current week 79 were white, with a death rate of 19.6, and 69 were colored, with a death rate of 39.2.

The high mortality shown was due chiefly to pneumonia. The number of deaths from this cause alone during the week was 22. Of those who died 13 were colored and 9 white.

Closely related to the pneumonia mortality were the deaths from bronchitis, 19 in number, and those from consumption, 15. In addition, there were 4 deaths from typhoid fever and 3 from diphtheria. Three persons committed suicide, and 6 fatal accidents were recorded.

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PRESIDENT INVITED TO ATTEND CELEBRATION

Will Commemorate Signing of the Kansas-Nebraska Act in Omaha
on May 30.

Senator Millard and Col. Edward Rosebury, of Nebraska, invited the President today to attend the celebration which Omaha citizens are planning to commemorate the fiftieth anniversary of the signing of the Kansas-Nebraska act of May 30, 1854. By that act, the Territories of Kansas and Nebraska were created, and the way to the development of the trans-Mississippi region was opened.

The celebration will be held on May 30 of this year. The President will not be able to attend.

Nebraska appointments were talked over, including the selection of a successor to United States Attorney Summers; but action was postponed.

**TO RELIEVE OFFICERS
FOR PERSONAL LOSSES**

The Senate has agreed to two bills favorably reported from the Naval Affairs Committee to pay Lieut. Hamilton D. South, U. S. M. C., \$1,157 for the loss of personal property by fire at the United States Navy Yard at Pensacola, Fla., and \$1,200 for Pay Clerk Charles Blake, U. S. N., for a similar loss at Yokohama, Japan, February 8, 1886.

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